UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
JOEL PENSLEY, Plaintiff,	-X : 09 Civ. 10610 (DLC) : : NOTICE OF INITIAL : PRETRIAL CONFERENCE
-V-	USDC SDNY
MAUREEN ABATO and OLDE MONMOUTH STOCK TRANSFER CO., INC.,  Defendants.	DOCUMENT  ELECTRONICALLY FILED  DOC #:  DATE FILED: [-15-10]

This action has been assigned to me for all purposes. I will hold an initial pretrial conference in this case at the time and place listed below. The purpose of the conference is to discuss settlement and any possible motions you may wish to make, and to set a schedule for discovery. Come with a detailed list of discovery you need and a proposed schedule for discovery. If you are proceeding in this case <u>pro</u> <u>se</u> (without an attorney), you are required to appear personally at this conference. If you have retained an attorney, he or she should attend the conference in your place.

If you cannot attend the conference at the time and date specified, you must request a change in writing, received not later than two business days before the conference. The request must (a) specify the reasons why you cannot attend, (b) state whether the other parties have consented to a change in the conference date, and (c) list alternative dates and times on subsequent Fridays when all parties are available to appear.

Unless all parties are notified that the conference date has been changed, it will be held as scheduled.

A copy of this Court's Individual Practices in Civil Pro Se Cases is enclosed. Attorneys and unrepresented parties are directed to consult these rules with respect to communications with chambers, requests for adjournments, and related matters.

YOU ARE DIRECTED (i) TO NOTIFY THE ATTORNEYS FOR EACH
DEFENDANT IN THIS ACTION OF THIS ORDER BY SERVING EACH ATTORNEY
WITH A COPY OF THIS NOTICE AND THE INDIVIDUAL PRACTICES
FORTHWITH, AND (ii) TO FILE PROOF OF SUCH SERVICE WITH THE COURT
BY SENDING IT TO THIS COURT'S PRO SE OFFICE, ROOM 230, UNITED
STATES COURTHOUSE, 500 PEARL STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007.
IF YOU ARE UNAWARE OF THE IDENTITY OF COUNSEL FOR A DEFENDANT,
YOU MUST FORTHWITH SERVE A COPY OF THE NOTICE AND PRACTICES ON
THAT PARTY.

DATE AND PLACE OF CONFERENCE: FEBRUARY 19, 2010, AT 11 A.M.

AT THE UNITED STATES COURT HOUSE, 500 PEARL STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN COURTROOM 11B.

Dated: New York, New York January 15, 2010

United States District Judge

# SPECIAL RULES OF PRACTICE IN CIVIL PRO SE CASES DENISE COTE, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

#### Pro Se Office

United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007 (212) 805-0175

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

All communications with the Court by a pro se party should be addressed to the Pro 1. Se Office, and must include an affidavit stating that a copy was sent to counsel for all parties.

#### FILING OF PAPERS

All papers to be filed with the Court by a pro se party, along with any courtesy copies 2. of those papers, should be sent to the Pro Se Office, Room 230, United States Courthouse, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York 10007.

#### **DISCOVERY**

All requests for discovery should be sent to counsel for the party. Discovery requests 3. should not be sent to the Court.

## **MOTIONS**

- Filing and Service: All motions, unless brought on by an Order to Show Cause, 4. should be made with a return date six weeks after the date of service. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, opposing papers must be served and filed within four weeks of service of the motion papers, and reply papers, if any, must be served and filed within two weeks of receipt of opposition papers.
- All motion papers should include one courtesy copy. All courtesy copies shall be 5. clearly marked as such.
- Oral Argument: Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, argument will not be heard 6. in pro se matters.

## INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

7. The Court will generally schedule an initial case management conference within two months of the filing of the Complaint. Incarcerated parties may not be able to attend this or other conferences. If incarcerated parties do not have counsel, a family member or a representative may attend the conference. If a representative is designated, he or she should contact Gloria Rojas, Courtroom Deputy Clerk telephone number (212) 805-0097, to determine the location of the conference. The Judge will also have a transcript of the conference sent to the incarcerated party. If an incarcerated party does not have counsel and a representative cannot be sent to a conference, the pro se party should write to the Judge regarding any issue the pro se party wishes to have addressed at the conference.

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- 8. Within 30 days of the completion of discovery unless otherwise ordered by the Court, a pro se plaintiff shall file a concise, written Pretrial Statement. This Statement need take no particular form, but it must contain the following: 1) a statement of the facts plaintiff hopes to prove at trial; 2) a list of all documents or other physical objects that the plaintiff plans to put into evidence at trial; and 3) a list of the names and addresses of all witnesses plaintiff intends to have testify at trial. The Statement must be sworn by the plaintiff to be true and accurate based on the facts known by the plaintiff. The pro se plaintiff shall file an original of this Statement with the Pro Se Office and serve a copy on all defendants or their counsel if they are represented. The original Statement must include a certificate stating the date a copy was mailed to the attorney for the defendant. Two weeks after service of plaintiff's Statement, the defendant must file and serve a similar Statement of its case containing the same information.
- 9. At the time of filing the Pretrial Statement, any parties represented by counsel must also submit proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, if the case is to be tried to the Court, or a proposed jury charge, if it will be tried before a jury. The <u>pro se</u> party may also file either proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law or a proposed jury charge, but is not required to do so.

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